WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1.   A postprocessing apparatus for performing a postprocessing with respect to an image forming member on which an image is to be formed, the postprocessing apparatus comprising:

an attachment unit for attaching a storage medium to the image forming member on which it has started to form the image.

2.   The postprocessing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:

the attachment unit attaches the storage medium to the image forming member after a process of transferring the image onto the image forming medium.

3.   The postprocessing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:

the attachment unit attaches the storage medium to the image forming member after a process of fixing the image onto the image forming member.

4.   The postprocessing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

a data writing unit for writing data into the storage medium.

5. The postprocessing apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the data writing unit writes data input by user into the storage medium.

6. The postprocessing apparatus according to claim 4, wherein:

the data writing unit writes the data into the storage medium attached to the image forming member.

7. The postprocessing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the attachment unit attaches the storage medium on the basis of an operation of user.

8. The postprocessing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

a communication interface connected to an external terminal through a network and receiving an operation of instructing the attachment of the storage medium from the external terminal, wherein:

the attachment unit attaches the data storage unit in response to the received operation.

9. The postprocessing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:

a staple needle holds the storage medium; and

the attachment unit staples the staple needle holding the storage medium to the image forming member

to attach the storage medium to the image forming member.

10.   The postprocessing apparatus according to claim 9, wherein:
the attachment unit staples the staple needle to the single image forming member.

11.   The postprocessing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:
an adhesive member holds the storage medium; and
the attachment unit attaches the adhesive member holding the storage medium to the image forming member.

12.   A staple needle to be attached to a sheet-shape member, the staple needle comprising:
a holding portion for holding a storage medium, which stores data.

13.   A staple needle to be attached to a sheet-shape member, the staple needle comprising:
a data storage unit for storing data.

14.   The staple needle according to claim 12, wherein:
at least a part of the staple needle serves as an antenna for transmitting/receiving the stored data.

15. A method for performing a postprocessing with respect to an image forming member on which an image is to be formed, the method comprising:

attaching a storage medium to the image forming member on which it has started to form the image.